

Minutes

Turf Field Committee Special Meeting of 06/17/10

I. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 7:03 PM

II. Roll Call: Members in Attendance: Don Woods, Fred Callahan, Jeff Perillo, Kathleen Zolad, Mike Lenares, Rich Khentigan, Maureen Klett, Bill DeBlasio (arrived at 7:42 AM), and Jay Bottalico (arrived at 7:47 PM)

Staff in Attendance: Bruce Till

III. Public Participation: There was none in the beginning of the meeting, however, Dwayne Thomas and Roland Bishop were in attendance and asked questions throughout the meeting.

IV. Preliminary Cost Estimates - Discussion by Milone and MacBroom

Presentation was made by Milone and MacBroom representatives, David Dixon and Vince McDermott on preliminary cost estimates. The presenters shared that back in the fall of 2009 they looked at the existing conditions of the field, including drainage and field dimensions. The field that was being recommended will be larger than the present field with enough dimension without encroaching upon the hillside. There was discussion on the items that were pared down - bleachers, lighting, and irrigation. The representatives identified their suggestions to catch the storm water, such as excavating a small basin. The water would "percolate" down and get caught in the under drain. The other option would be to tie into the existing drainage system that goes across the field or a "waffle drain" underneath the turf that would lie flat on the surface, with a pitch from side to side which could be picked up by a perimeter collection pipe that runs around the edges. The representatives identified that there is a lot of "junk" under the field which includes ground up brick, metal and bituminous going down about 62 inches. While there wasn't a good solid soil sample to determine how much material needs to be removed, they "eyeballed " and came to a consensus in the office. They believe 6,500 cubic yards need to be removed and shared that it is normally 4,000 cubic yards. The top layer of 4-6 inches of top soil can be screened and used elsewhere, perhaps for town use. The representatives talked about the capet options and discussed the pile height options and infill inches. Infill should be sand and rubber because it serves as ballast and firmness. If it were all rubber it has the potential to "float", and is like running on wet sand. The representatives shared that they only like to use recyclable tires made in the USA or Canada to limit the impurities. They shared the two types are SPR - made from tires that are shredded and broken apart, many times over, or cryogenic rubber that is manufactured through a freezing and pulverizing process. The grain size can be manufactured with cryogenic rubber. There are options to the laying of the turf such as gluing, adhered with a hilty nail to a concrete curb, or hot glued if necessary. The presenters shared that a cheaper way would be to adhere the carpet to would, but that is not recommended because the treated wood has a tendency to rot. The presenters answered questions from the committee members and the staff representative.

V. Old Business - design professional selection process - A motion was made by committee member Kathy Zolad to have Milone and MacBroom propose a scope of services, including fees. The motion was seconded by member Jay Bottalico. A 9-0 vote in favor of the motion was recorded.

VI. Any other business pertinent to the Committee - None

VII. Public Participation - Dwayne Thomas suggested that using in house staff as a resident inspector could help save money.

VIII. Committee Response to Public Participation- Public participation noted for the record.

IX. Adjournment - Motion to adjourn made at 9:10 PM by committee member Don Woods and seconded by Bill DeBlasio.

Signed,

Maureen Klett